

### PHFA's Housing Services Department

# **Best Practices**

## PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

#### Jamestown Village/Kids Café

Categories: Youth

**Outcomes:** As a result of this program, our Youth are eating healthier than they do at home, some never really receiving a balanced meal. This program also helps the residents who are struggling to keep food on the table for their children. Hunger in our Youth is a reality in our community and this partnership has enable Jamestown to become a part of the solution to the problem.

**Program Components:** Through a partnership with the Berks County Food Bank, a "Kids Café" program was able to be implemented. The Kids Café provides a healthy meal for youth 1 to 18 years of age and to all college students Monday through Friday during the after school hours of 3-6pm. The meals are brought to Jamestown and are checked for temperatures to assure the food is being served correctly. The persons serving

Units: 275 unit General Population, HUD 236 Management Agent: Preservation Management Service Coordinator: Jeffrey Bell 610.374.8116 Jeffrey.bell@presmgt.com

the food must complete a safe food handling training class in order to serve. The program is open to Jamestown Village residents and also to the neighborhood. Every day up to 35 meals are served.

#### Background:

Jamestown is a Family property with 275 units.

Investment in Services: The Greater Berks Food Bank provides all the meals with no cost to residents or the property. Volunteers serve the meals. The Service Coordinator oversees the "Kids Café", as it is part of the after-school program.



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